



# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach

## **Unitarian Universalist Principles**

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

## **UUFVB Mission Statement:**

We, a caring liberal religious community, encourage spiritual growth, provide education to our community, and seek justice for all.

## **We Are a Welcoming Congregation**

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach seeks to foster a climate of purposeful inclusion of all regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. If you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or if you think you might be, we welcome you to join with us—to participate fully and openly in our congregational life.

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# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach

Sunday, March 14, 2021

Rev. Scott W. Alexander, Senior Minister

*"We affirm that every one of us is held in creation's hand...a part of the interdependent cosmic web...and hence strangers need not be enemies...that no one is saved until we All are saved...where All means the whole of creation."*

- William F. Schulz

## Centering Music

Margretta Fosse, Pianist

## Welcome, Announcements

Rev. Scott Alexander

## Introit

### ***"We Sing of Community"***

UUFVB Quartet

Words : Edwin T. Buehrer, arr. Edward Kremser

## Opening Words

Rev. Scott Alexander

## Hymn #207

### ***"Earth Was Given as a Garden"***

Words: Roberta Bard, Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard

## Kindling the Chalice Flame

Rev. Scott Alexander

***May the light of this chalice  
Give light and warmth to our community,  
When we are joyful and when we are despair.  
And may we feel the warmth spread from our circle  
To wider and wider circles  
Until all know they belong  
To the one circle of life.***

-Betsy Darr

## Sung Response

### ***"Chalice Song"***

**Chalice, chalice burning bright, help remind us with your light of  
how we'd like to live each day, with love and truth helping lead the way.**

## Time for All Ages

### ***"Everything is Connected"***

Written by Jason Gruhl  
Presented by Kelly Stephens  
Director of Youth and Family Ministry

**Sustenance Sunday**

**Food Pantry of IRC**

Please make checks payable to UUFVB with "Food Pantry" in the memo line

**Offertory/Anthem**

***"God Has Work for Us to Do"***

Words and music: Carl P. Daw, Jr and Mark A. Miller

Margretta Fosse, pianist

UUFVB Quartet

**Community Connections**

Rev. Scott Alexander

**Sharing of Joys, Sorrows and Prayers**

**Hymn #123**

***"Spirit of Life"***

*Spirit of Life, come unto me.*

*Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.*

*Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;*

*Move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.*

*Roots hold me close; wings set me free;*

*Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.*

**Sermon**

***"Lighting Millions of Candles"***

***A Chancel Dialogue on Global Spirituality and Morality***

Rev. Scott W. Alexander

Robert C. Terry

Judith H. Whitney-Terry

Lori Michaelson

**Hymn #159**

***"This is My Song"***

Words: Lloyd Stone, music: Jean Sibelius

**Benediction**

Rev. Scott Alexander

**Postlude and Extinguishing the Chalice Flame**

Margretta Fosse

**Director of Music**

**UUFVB Quartet**

Elizabeth Borne

Elizabeth Borne, Matthew Borne, Emily Olsson, Collins Mikesell



Childcare available for infants through K

**WELCOME!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcome back UU Parents and Friends!

### PICNIC-N-PLAY

Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> After Service

Pack your favorite lunch and join us with the kids (after service) at the playground.

March Religious Education:

- 14- St. Patrick's history and games.
- 21- Holi-Hindi Festival: love and colors.
- 28- Passover and Seder activities.

OWL (Our Whole Lives) Sexual Education Classes for teens with Instructor and UU Parent Kim Williams and Kelly Stephens will be postponed for later in 2021. If you would like to get involved with these tremendously important classes, please contact Kelly Stephens.

If you would like to know more about the Youth & Family Ministry, please contact:  
Kelly Stephens  
Director of Youth & Family Ministry  
[youth@uufvb.org](mailto:youth@uufvb.org) or (772)778-5880.

## UUFVB Calendar

### Sunday, March 14, 2021

10am Sunday Service (in person & online)

11:30 Zoom Coffee Hour

FairTrade OPEN (before & after service)

### Monday, March 15, 2021

9am Open Art Studio, L

11:30 CG Steering Cmte, Zoom

7pm Covenant – Woody S, Zoom

### Tuesday, March 16, 2021

10:30 Membership Cmte, Zoom

1:00pm Covenant – Ginger H, Zoom

3:30pm Finance Cmte, Zoom

6pm Rental, Lobby

7:30pm Rental, Lobby

### Wednesday, March 17, 2021

11am Bell Ringers Rehearsal, Choir Rm

11am Check – In with Rev. Scott, Zoom

### Thursday, March 18, 2021

3pm Interim Minister Search Cmte

4:30pm Board of Trustees, Zoom

7pm Emerson Event- Beatles Abby Road

### Friday, March 19, 2021

10am Bridges Cmte, Zoom

1:30pm Covenant – Laura G, Zoom

2pm Covenant- Anne T.outdoors

4pm CRJ, L

### Saturday, March 20, 2021

10am CRJ Workshop, Sanct, FH

**Please abide by the CDC guidelines by wearing a mask and keeping safely distanced by 6 or more feet.**

**FairTrade Corner open before and after service**

### March 21 – “Is Truth Relative or Absolute ?” -Rev Scott W. Alexander

Rev. Alexander writes:

Continuing with my focus on the all-important topic of truth (and how we determine it) in this sermon (which had to be postponed for several weeks due to my hip replacement) I will explore the philosophical question of whether or not truth is absolute or relative, or something in-between. For generations liberals and conservatives have fiercely debated this issue. Where we come down on this fundamental epistemological question will greatly affect not only our day to day lives but also the quality our moral and ethical decision making.